

and are being pursued by our cavalry from Kovel.

"There is general rejoicing over the fact that it occurred so near the anniversary of the first great defeat by von Hindenburg, the Russians in the battle of Tannenberg, since which time von Hindenburg has been the most popular man in Germany.

Forts Captured Quickly.

"The newspapers point out that nine Russian fortresses, including three of the most powerful—Kovno, Novo Georgievsk and Brest-Litovsk—were captured within three weeks.

"They contrast this with the resistance of the Germans to the Japanese at Tientsin, and of the Austrians to the Russians at Przemyśl, in both of which cases the Teutonic forces held out until their ammunition and food were gone.

"The German authorities at Warsaw have granted the request of the citizens to commit to all the schools, including the universities, be permitted to reopen for their regular terms. Pupils who have been expelled from the universities are permitted to return. Citizens of Warsaw have organized a police force from their own numbers, to serve under the direction of the German military authorities, who have equipped the force with revolvers.

STORY OF THE SINKING OF TROOPSHIP DENIED

No Vessel Carrying Canadians Missing, Says an Ottawa Official Statement.

BERLIN, August 28 (by wireless to Saville, N. Y., August 30).—Passenger ship the Holland-America line steamer Rindam arriving in Amsterdam bringing a report that a British transport with 2,000 Canadian troops on board, was torpedoed off the Scilly Islands August 15. It is said about 1,000 men were saved.

Report Denied Officially.

OTTAWA, Ont., August 30.—Official denial is given here to the report contained in the Berlin message by wireless to Saville, N. Y., that a British troopship carrying 2,000 Canadian troops had been sunk off the Scilly Islands August 15. The military authorities issued the following statement regarding the report:

"Between the 21st of July and the 24th of August, 1915, more than 300 troops on board have been dispatched from Canada, and they have both arrived safely at their destinations.

All Have Arrived Safely.

"Moreover every troopship bearing Canadian troops which has at sea August 15 has arrived safely at its destination. There is no Canadian troopship overdue, and if the story coming via Saville has any basis for truth it must refer to the torpedoing of the Canadian Northern Steamship Royal Edward in the Aegean, the report of which event reached Canada August 17.

REPORTS ENFORCEMENT OF COTTON FUTURE LAW

Agricultural Department Tells of Disputes Settled and Spot Markets Approved.

What the federal government has done in the way of enforcing the new cotton futures law is synopsized in the "program of work" of the Department of Agriculture issued today. The volume states that 418 disputes as to tenure, quality or length of staple of cotton, rendered in settlement of future contracts, involving 39,553 bales of cotton, were referred to the department and decided up to June 30, and that since then there have been 105 more disputes, not yet decided.

Besides 254 sets of official cotton standards distributed throughout the United States to cotton exchanges and dealers, as a basis of grading cotton in commercial transactions, the department so far has sent fourteen sets to China, Japan, England, France, Germany, Holland, Canada and India.

Future Dealing Inspected.

The department also has inspected transactions in future markets to determine whether the cotton futures law is being observed, and has investigated the qualifications of various spot markets to determine their right to be designated as bona fide spot markets, those designated as bona fide spot markets for cotton up to July 1 being Savannah, Ga.; Dallas, Houston, Galveston, Tex.; Little Rock, Ark.; Memphis, Tenn.; Mobile, Ala.; Norfolk, Va.; Charleston, S. C.; and New Orleans and Boston.

NATIONAL GUARD IS NOT TO GET PROLONGED REST

After two weeks of hard work in camp at Colonial Beach, Va., the National Guard of the District of Columbia is not to have its usual suspension of assemblies until October, it was announced by Brig. Gen. Harvey today. There will be regular drill every week the same as before camp, he said, but the matter of drills is left to the organization commanders. Hereafter it has been the practice following encampments to suspend assemblies and drills until the following October.

Gen. Harvey today declared that he would like the local National Guard to have a month in camp, learning the lessons of field service, but he expressed the belief that this would be impracticable, because the men could not obtain the time from their regular employment. He said that the matter of an encampment had not yet been considered for next year, because he believed there would be maneuvers instead of an encampment.

The military tournament which Gen. Harvey is planning to hold the next big event in the National Guard. It is to be staged in the drill hall of the city, and will include military drills and competitions in military sports, including wall scaling and shelter tent pitching.

STOPS CAPITAL PUNISHMENT. Tennessee Law Valid. State Chancellor Says, Despite Governor's Veto.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., August 30.—A Bristol, Tenn., special today says that under the construction of the governor's veto power the bill passed by the recent legislature abolishing capital punishment, excepting in certain cases, is now a law in Tennessee. This view is contrary to one recently taken by Circuit Judge Yen Hieck.

The bill was passed just before a thirty-day recess of the legislature. The recess Gov. Rice vetoed the bill counting the recess the veto was in time to be effective. Otherwise it was not. The chancellor was not passing directly on the capital punishment bill, but on another vetoed under the same circumstances.

AGREES TO MAKE TRADE ORDERS IN COUNCIL

Great Britain to Make Trade Concessions to Meet U. S. Complaints.

PROOF AS TO OWNERSHIP MAY BE SUBMITTED HERE

Ambassador Spring-Rice Explains Plan to Expedite Release of Detained Cargoes.

Concessions in the enforcement against American commerce of the British order in council were announced today as a result of informal negotiations just completed by the foreign trade advisers of the State Department.

The British ambassador, Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, assured the trade advisers that their informal representations in cases where the British orders have caused "undue hardships" to American commerce will receive special consideration.

Consideration for Neutrals.

Before June 15 the British authorities declined to enter into informal negotiations with the trade advisers in any cases.

The British note dealing with the detention of the American steamer Neches, however, sent July 31, set forth that in cases where "hardship" may be inflicted on citizens of neutral countries, the British government would examine the facts in a "spirit of consideration for the interests of neutrals."

Information in the hands of the State Department that private brokers were obtaining permits in London for special shipments of American goods from Rotterdam, while the trade advisers were unable even to present special cases, was transmitted to London.

Explained by Ambassador.

The ambassador called at the State Department personally to explain the extent of the British concessions, which were specially granted to meet the growing complaint of American importers that their Christmas trade is threatened by failure to obtain goods made in Germany and Austria for the British government to permit the passage through the blockade lines of goods for which American importers have entered into contract with German and Austrian firms.

Heretofore it has been the regular practice of the British government to pay for the goods. Now, it will be sufficient to show that they were regularly contracted for and that the American importer is really the person responsible for the goods. The order applies to these, but whether it will extend to goods yet in German factories, but under contract for exportation to the United States, is yet undetermined.

Supplied Required Proof.

The success of private interests in London represented by special attorneys in securing the release of about \$600,000 worth of such goods now on the docks is explained at the British embassy here as due to the fact that the local authorities upon their side were able to secure and present to the British authorities the proof required as to the character of the goods and the conditions of contract.

Now it is planned to present proof at the British embassy here, which it is believed, will greatly facilitate importations.

The entire responsibility for the holding up of dyestuffs of German manufacture intended for America is placed by the British authorities upon the German government and it is alleged that a contrary impression has been created by the British embassy here, which itself straight in this matter the British embassy today issued the following statement:

"April 14 a formal notice was issued by the British government that they would allow vessels carrying two shipments of dyestuffs, which were paid for by delivery in Germany of certain cotton cargoes, to pass without interference provided the vessels sailed under a neutral flag; that the shipments were made from Rotterdam, and the dyestuffs consigned to the Secretary of Commerce for distribution directly to the local industries."

"This offer, which was refused by Germany, still holds good."

PHOTO OF LEO M. FRANK STARTED A NEAR-RIOT

Three Men Fined at Columbus, Ga., and Are Held for the Grand Jury.

COLUMBUS, Ga., August 30.—At the police court hearing today of six cases growing out of a disturbance Saturday night which is reported to have started through the exhibition of a photograph of the body of Leo M. Frank hanging from a tree, no mention was made of the photograph in the testimony. Five cases were disposed of, but the charge of disorderly conduct against H. Howell was changed to inciting to violence, and his case sent to the grand jury for investigation.

A fight is reported to have started between Joseph Sokolow and James Lee in the former's store when Lee exhibited a photograph of the Frank hanging. A crowd that gathered started a demonstration, during which James Day, John Long, John Tomlin and H. Howell were arrested. The crowd was soon dispersed, but the police say there was an attempt soon after to burn the store.

The charge against Howell was changed after statements had been made to the effect that "Lynch howl" was heard to call out "Lynch howl," and that it was believed he referred to Sokolow. He was released on bond of \$200.

Sokolow and Lee were fined \$15 and \$10, respectively, and Day and Long were released.

Death of Rene Berenger.

PARIS, August 30.—Rene Berenger, the last of the life senators elected to the national assembly in 1875, is dead. He was eighty-five years old. Mr. Berenger was noted as an anti-vivisectionist. He was author of the suspended sentence law, known as the Berenger act, for first offenders. He was a republican.

Postal Committee to Meet.

The executive committee of the citizens' committee working to obtain postal facilities in the Post Office Department building is to meet in the headquarters of the Retail Merchants' Association at 1:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

Final plans for the Central Labor Union outing to Chesapeake Beach Labor day will be made at a meeting of the organization to be held tonight at Typographical Temple.

Charter Oak Park Races Off. HARTFORD, Conn., August 30.—The free-for-all race and free-for-all trot announced for the grand circuit meeting at Charter Oak Park September 6, did not start until the afternoon of today. The other late closing events, the 2:08 pace, 2:10 trot and 2:15 trot filled satisfactorily and were added to the program.

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GERMAN AIR SCOUT ACCOMPANYING TEUTONIC FORCES ON GERMAN DRIVE.



IN THE ADVANCE OF THE TEUTONIC FORCES AFTER THE CAPTURE OF WARSAW, AIR SCOUTS WERE SENT IN ADVANCE OF THE ARMY TO DISCLOSE ANY HIDDEN TRAPS SET BY THE RUSSIANS. THE PHOTOGRAPH SHOWS ONE OF THE GERMAN TAUBES FLYING OVER A BRIDGE DEMOLISHED BY THE RETREATING RUSSIANS, TAKING NOTE OF THE LAY OF THE LAND, WHILE THE TEUTONIC FORCES ARE SEEN ON THE LEFT MAKING THEIR UNCHECKED ADVANCE.

COTTON FORECAST, 11,817,235 BALES

August Condition 6.1 Per Cent Below That of July, Being 69.2 Per Cent of Normal.

Drought followed by excessive rains in the cotton belt during August caused deterioration slightly more than the August average to the growing cotton crop. The Department of Agriculture today announced the condition as 69.2 per cent of a normal. That is 6.1 per cent below the July condition.

Official calculations, based on government averages for yield, condition and acreage, place the crop at 11,817,235 equivalent 500-pound bales, against 16,134,930 bales last year.

A crop slightly under 12,000,000 bales was made from the cotton raised in the United States during the July 25 condition. The area planted this year has been officially reported as 31,535,000 acres.

Weather conditions for the crop had not been very favorable during the month. Hot and generally continued dry weather greatly retarded growth over many portions of the belt during the first week and but little progress was possible, except over the northern portion, where local rains and moderate warmth retarded satisfactory growth.

During the early part of the month drought continued very generally in Texas and was becoming severe over large areas.

Continued dry weather over the greater part of the more important producing states prevented satisfactory growth during the second week of the month and the crop very generally deteriorated. Shelling was reported in many sections and bolls were opening prematurely in districts where the drought prevailed.

There were reported generally less active than usual.

Deterioration due to adverse weather during the early weeks of the month was arrested by good rains over much of the central and eastern portions of the belt during the latter part of the month and the crop responded to the more favorable condition. Rain was more in a greater part of the belt during the latter part of the month, and the drought continued over much of the state until the close of the week, when the West Indian storm brought considerable rain over the eastern and coast districts.

Conditions by States.

Comparisons of conditions by states follow:

State.	Aug. 25, 1915.	July 25, 1915.	Aug. 25, 1914.
Alabama	75	70	75
Arkansas	70	70	75
California	70	70	75
Florida	70	70	75
Georgia	70	70	75
Illinois	70	70	75
Indiana	70	70	75
Iowa	70	70	75
Kansas	70	70	75
Michigan	70	70	75
Minnesota	70	70	75
Mississippi	70	70	75
Missouri	70	70	75
Montana	70	70	75
Nebraska	70	70	75
Nevada	70	70	75
New York	70	70	75
North Carolina	70	70	75
Ohio	70	70	75
Oklahoma	70	70	75
Oregon	70	70	75
Pennsylvania	70	70	75
Rhode Island	70	70	75
South Carolina	70	70	75
South Dakota	70	70	75
Tennessee	70	70	75
Texas	70	70	75
Vermont	70	70	75
Virginia	70	70	75
Washington	70	70	75
West Virginia	70	70	75
Wisconsin	70	70	75
Wyoming	70	70	75
United States average	69.2	75.3	72.8

The next report will show the condition of cotton September 25, and will be issued at noon, eastern time, Saturday, October 2.

Report from Admiral Boush.

The submarine F-4 was raised yesterday that is tied up at the quarantine dock, suspended to pontoons, according to a dispatch today to the Navy Department. Rear Admiral Boush gave no details of the raising of the submarine, but said it was planned to put her in dry dock.

Disabled Officers and Men Returned to Canada—Corporal Bears Twenty-Seven Wounds.

MONTREAL, August 30.—Fourteen officers and twenty-two men, wounded, of Canadian regiments arrived here today on the steamer Mississauga from England. They were accompanied by physicians and nurses, who spoke highly of the spirit displayed by wounded Canadians. One of the arrivals, Corp. Stewart, of the 5th Battalion, suffers from twenty-seven shrapnel wounds.

Mrs. Irene Gardner of Ottawa, one of the passengers, who has been in England and France, collecting data regarding the killed and wounded for the Canadian Red Cross, said the French realize and appreciate the part the Canadians played in saving Calais. She was most anxious to return to active service.

Alleged Conspirator Arrested.

DETROIT, Mich., August 30.—While at a picnic on Canadian soil last night, Charles Respa, for whom the Dominion authorities have been searching in connection with the dynamite explosions at Walkerville, Ontario, two months ago, was taken in custody on Isle Royale Island. It is charged that he was one of three or more persons of German descent in Detroit who had conspired to destroy the Peabody oil plant at Walkerville, the Windsor armory and other buildings used for military purposes.

Negro Slayer Burned at Stake.

SULPHUR SPRINGS, Tex., August 30.—Revenge for the slaying of a deputy sheriff and the fatal wounding of Sheriff J. B. Butler was taken by a mob here late yesterday when King Richmond, a negro, seriously wounded, and the body of his brother, Joe, killed in a fight with a posse, were burned at the stake in Buford Park.

Recovering from Ptomaine Poison.

Tom Culhane, 921 New Jersey avenue northwest, who has been seriously ill since Wednesday, suffering with ptomaine poisoning, is rapidly recovering.

SUBMARINE F-4 RAISED BY SPECIAL PONTOONS

Until Craft Is Placed in Dry Dock Cause of Sinking Cannot Be Determined.

HONOLULU, August 30.—Work preliminary to the drydocking of the submarine F-4, lost in the Honolulu harbor with twenty-two men March 26, and raised yesterday, was undertaken today. It was expected the craft would be placed in drydock tomorrow. Until then nothing definite can be announced as to what caused the disaster.

The F-4 was raised by the pontoon method, six special pontoons, each with a lifting capacity of sixty tons, having been constructed at the Mare Island, Cal., navy yard for the purpose, after all other methods proved unavailing.

The submarine F-4, commanded by Lieut. Alfred L. Ede, and with a crew of twenty-one men, went to the bottom off the harbor of Honolulu, March 26, 1915, during maneuvers of the "B" squadron. She was located two days later by Divers John Agass of the navy and a civilian diver, establishing a new world's record, in an effort to facilitate the work of bringing her to the surface. Her crew, it was said, might have been alive at this time, but attempts at rescue failed, and March 29 Rear Admiral C. T. Moore commanding the Honolulu naval station, reported that the F-4 lay in 270 feet of water and would have to be raised by pontoons.

Efforts to Raise Boat.

Secretary Daniels announced that the boat would be raised at any cost in order to determine the cause of the accident, and diving apparatus and divers were sent out, leaving San Francisco April 6 on the cruiser Maryland. One of the divers, Frank Crilly, went down 228 feet and found one of the compartments of the boat was full of water.

Another, William Loughman, descended 215 feet, and the men took up poles which the insured were going to drop or allow to lapse, and that they presented to the company what purported to be genuine death certificates, underwriters' certificates, Charles H. White, another agent, was arraigned and held for the action of the grand jury in \$3,000 bonds last Friday.

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Witnesses the Sinking of Norwegian Steamer

Bark's Commander Details the Torpedoing of the Trondhjemsford by German Submarine.

NEW YORK, August 30.—Details of the torpedoing of the Norwegian steamer Trondhjemsford, which cable dispatches on July 30 announced had been sent to the bottom by a German submarine, have been brought here by the Norwegian bark Glance, which arrived from Aalborg, Denmark. Capt. Kirkeland of the Glance witnessed the destruction of the steamer, and by orders of the submarine commander, until he sighted the Swedish steamer Orlando, east bound, to which he transferred them.

Capt. Kirkeland declared that at the time the Trondhjemsford was overhauled by the submarine July 28, off Shetland Islands, she was in charge of a British prize crew, which was taking her into Kirkwall. After she was sunk the submarine towed the small boats, including members of the crew, to the Glance. They numbered forty-three men, including six members of the British prize crew.

The Trondhjemsford left New York July 13, bound for Bergen, Christiania, and other Scandinavian ports. She was a vessel of 2,750 tons net.

AS RESERVE SCOUT FLEET. Proposition to Organize Power Boats on Great Lakes and Elsewhere.

CHICAGO, August 30.—Mayor William Hale Thompson and Commodore James A. Pugh of the Chicago Yacht Club will soon leave for Washington to lay before the federal government a plan to organize the power boats on the great lakes, and elsewhere into a reserve scout fleet, or volunteer service at the call of the nation, it was announced today.

The plan contemplates that officers and crews estimated to total 300,000 men are to be trained in the use of rapid fire guns, machine guns, and other signaling equipment. A government submarine for Chicago was to be used to train the local fleet of 200 power boats will be urged.

Lincoln Highway Signs to Be Selected Soon

Everything is in readiness for a decision concerning the winning of the signs which are to be erected on the "Lincoln highway" detour from Philadelphia to this city and thence to Gettysburg, Pa., according to a statement made today by Robert N. Harper, chairman of the local Lincoln highway committee.

Mr. Harper has had prepared samples of the various signs to be used along the roadway which he proposes to submit to the committee of Baltimore, Frederick and Washington business men at its next meeting. He has been in correspondence with them and also with President Joy of the Lincoln Highway Association. Mr. Joy is anxious that a decision soon be reached concerning the wording to be employed on the signs.

Autos for Rural Routes.

The rural routes tributary to Station H of the local post office, at Anacostia, will be served by two automobiles and one mounted carrier, beginning Wednesday. The installation of the automobile service will result in the consolidation of the routes into two automobile routes, A, which will cover Good Hope, Capitol Heights and Seat Pleasant on the north, and B, which will cover Forestville on the east and Silver Hill and Camp Springs on the south, and B, which will run south to Silesia, Md., east to Camp Springs, and cover Congress Heights, Oxon Hill, Rosecroft, New Glaz and contiguous territory, including various routes one, two, five, six and seven.

Three wagon routes will remain—that out of the local post office, at Anacostia, Va., and an auxiliary route to Seat Pleasant.

ASAMA NEARS SAN FRANCISCO.

Disabled Japanese Cruiser, Wrecked at Turtle Bay, Finally Salvaged. SAN FRANCISCO, August 30.—The disabled Japanese cruiser Asama, which went ashore near Turtle Bay, Lower California, and was stranded, is expected to arrive here today.

The Asama is being conveyed by the Japanese naval repair ship Kwanto Maru, which will be permitted to take on coal enough to carry her to the near home port.

The cause of the Asama's grounding has not been determined. Her hull was injured, and months were required to raise the vessel and repair the damage.

INSURANCE MEN HELD FOR D. C. GRAND JURY

Enter Pleas of Not Guilty to Charges of False Pretense.

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